

Table 11. Number and percent distribution of injury-related emergency department visits with corresponding standard errors by intent and mechanism of external cause: United States, 2000

Intent and mechanism ¹	Number of visits in thousands	Standard error in thousands	Percent distribution	Standard error of percent
All injury-related visits	40,447	1,814	100.0	...
Unintentional injuries	30,907	1,502	76.4	0.8
Falls	8,053	409	19.9	0.6
Struck against or struck accidentally by objects or persons	4,727	306	11.7	0.5
Motor vehicle traffic	4,563	277	11.3	0.4
Cutting or piercing instruments or objects	2,998	212	7.4	0.4
Natural and environmental factors	1,802	177	4.5	0.4
Overexertion and strenuous movements	1,787	147	4.4	0.3
Poisoning by drugs, medical substances, biological, other solid and liquid substances, gases, and vapors	796	87	2.0	0.2
Pedal cycle, nontraffic and other	482	59	1.2	0.1
Motor vehicle, nontraffic	411	58	1.0	0.1
Fire and flames, hot substances or object, caustic or corrosive material and steam	392	46	1.0	0.1
Machinery	310	54	0.8	0.1
Other transportation	*	...	*	...
Other mechanism ²	2,482	191	6.1	0.3
Mechanism unspecified	1,978	236	4.9	0.5
Intentional injuries	2,299	154	5.7	0.3
Assault	1,881	130	4.7	0.3
Unarmed fight or brawl, striking by blunt or thrown object	980	94	2.4	0.2
Cutting or piercing instrument	143	29	0.4	0.1
Other and unspecified mechanism ³	758	77	1.9	0.2
Self-inflicted	387	55	1.0	0.1
Poisoning by solid or liquid substances, gases, and vapors	248	42	0.6	0.1
Other and unspecified mechanism ⁴	139	34	0.3	0.1
Other causes of violence	*	...	*	...
Injuries of undetermined intent	172	30	0.4	0.1
Adverse effects of medical treatment	1,169	92	2.9	0.2
Blank cause ⁵	5,900	377	14.6	0.8

... Category not applicable.

* Figure does not meet standard of reliability or precision.

¹Based on the "Supplementary Classification of External Cause of Injury and Poisoning," *International Classification of Diseases, 9th revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-9-CM) (13)*. A detailed description of the ICD-9-CM E-codes used to create the groupings in this table is provided in the Technical notes.²Includes drowning, suffocation, firearm, and other mechanism.³Includes assault by firearms and explosives, and other mechanism.⁴Includes injury by cutting and piercing instrument, and other and unspecified mechanism.⁵Includes illegible entries and blanks.

NOTE: Numbers may not add to totals because of rounding.